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On behalf of the National Park Service and our park partners, Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy and Presidio Trust,...

- Welcome to CA Coastal Cleanup Day
- Welcome to the Golden Gate National Parks and Ocean Beach

Thank You's...

- Thanks to the Coastal Commission
- Thanks to our statewide sponsors - Crystal Geyser, Whole Foods, Oracle
- Thanks to the EPA & SFRPD
- Thanks to Recology
 - Recology has been a tremendous partner in this event - providing curbside carts & trucks and separating all trash and recycling at their transfer station
 - allowing us to divert nearly 50% of the debris collected away from the landfill for recycling and reuse
- Thanks to YOU (the volunteers) for being here today!

CA Coastal Cleanup Day is one of the most popular and effective volunteer events we host in the GGNRA – as you can see as you look around at all of your neighbors

We are lucky to have a national park right at our doorstep – literally next door to our neighborhoods.

Given that our National Park stretches 70 miles north and south of the Golden Gate Bridge, creating a 80,400 acre greenbelt along the Pacific Ocean, CA Coastal Cleanup Day plays a vital role in the effort to keep our parks healthy & vibrant

From Pacifica to Ocean Beach to Crissy Field, all the way to Stinson Beach
Community Volunteers, like YOU, & Event Partners continue to make a tremendous impact in the GGNRA

These parks were built on Community Action - Volunteers are the Heart and Soul of these parks

Just today – in the next few hours – all of you here will collectively contribute thousands of hours of service.

You make all of the difference! Thank you!

DOUG:

Last year's CA Coastal Cleanup Day was another great success, record-breaking in fact, thanks to YOU—the volunteers!

In just the Golden Gate National Parks, on just this one day:

- From our coastal areas and beaches, as well as inland park sites
- At 20 park sites in San Francisco, Marin, Pacifica
- 3,500 Volunteers
- 10,000 Pounds of Debris collected

Statewide:

- 82,504 volunteers
- 1,224,663 pounds of debris collected

Again this year, we have asked a little more from you...**BYO (Bring Your Own...everything)**

We are committed to reducing the environmental footprint of Coastal Cleanup Day, but we needed your help to do so! Who brought?

- a bucket or reusable bag
- a lightweight pair of gardening gloves
- a filled, reusable water bottle
- used public transportation, bike, or carpool
- a "trash-free" meal

And who cleaned up on the way here? (Clean Up En Route)

Congrats to all!

Beyond CCD – Trash from your own neighborhood that isn't picked up off the street may find its way into a storm drain and then out to a waterway and eventually the Ocean.

- Past Coastal Cleanup Day data tells us that 60–80 % of the debris on our beaches and shorelines comes from inland sources.
- You can help by picking up trash in your own neighborhood throughout the year.

Thank you, again, for being here today!

And with that, let's have Denise go over logistics & get you started...